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SUBJECT.
Allowance to Shekdar Seeba Row of Anvathy Holeli, Soreab Taluk for having performed Toddy Inspector's duties

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Last Prs.

There was no Inspector appointed at the out-set. One was recommended & was sanctioned in Proc. No. 9 Sorab JS customs 29 Cases 27/01/95 to 1st term 6 Jamas & 16 Shops there is no doubt the Shettahs had a good deal of trouble to do; & the action of the Inspector eventually secured many things as a Spl case be found to the Shettahs during the time they duty devolved on him.

The Bill for Rs is sanctioned forwarded & the Inspector fie added

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Read
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From

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The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the
Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 12th February 1895.

Despatched 16th

Received

Enclosure No. 2

General No. 3416

No. 32

~~*In reply to*~~

SUBJECT.

Forwards copy of correspondence with the Deputy Commissioner Shimoga District and requests sanction to a bill for Rs. 30/- being the allowance due to Shettahs. Subba Row of the Sorab Taluk for having performed Toddy Inspector's duties

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References (to be entered only in the Dewan's Office.)

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Excise Commissioner's Office 2
Bangalore, 12th February 1895.
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From,

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

To,

The Chief Secretary to the
Dewan of Mysore.

Sir,

In forwarding, herewith, copy of the marginally noted correspondence, I have the honor to request that the accompanying bill from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, for Rs. 30, being the allowance due to Shaikdar in the Sorab

1. Docket No. 1734/149, dated 6th February 1894 from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District
2. Docket No. 2911/63, dated 9th February 1894 to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District.
3. Docket No. 1460/134, dated 25th January 1895, from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District
4. Docket No. 3266/56, dated 28th January 1895 to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District
5. Docket No. 1534/242, dated 8th February 1895, from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District.

Subba Row of Anvatty Hobli in the

Sorab Taluk for having performed the duties of Toddy Inspector from September 1892. to February 1893, may be sanctioned and forwarded to the comptroller for audit, the charge being debited to Savings in the current year's Excise Budget.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

S Ricketts
Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

Dr. S.

From,

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

Dated 6th February 1894.

No. 1734/149.

Has the honor to forward for obtaining Government sanction a Bill for Rs. 30/- being the remuneration due to Shekdar Subba Rao of Anvatty Hobli in the Sorab taluk for the duties performed by him as Toddy Inspector in addition to his own duties.

(signed). K. Ramchendra Rao.
for Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

From,

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

To

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

Dated 9/10th February 1894.

No 2911/63

The Deputy Commissioner's No.

No. 1734/149, dated 6th February 1894

In reply has the honor to state that Government Proceedings No. (1019-29/4) dated 12th April 1892, quoted in the Bill received with the above, does not authorize the Deputy Commissioner to appoint sheikdars to do the duty of Abkari Inspectors in addition to their own duties.

2. Requests to be informed why the allowance which was disbursed for July and August 1892, was not similarly disbursed every month from September 1892 to February 1893, and why it remained undrawn for more than a year.

(signed) L. Ricketts
Excise Commissioner

From

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To,

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

Dated 25th January 1895

No. 1460/134

His docket No. 291/63, dated 9th February 1894 observing that the

the Government Proceedings
No. 1019-29 Cir. 4, dated 12th April 1892,
relied on as authority for the
payment of remuneration to
shekdars who were deputed to the
duty of Toddy Inspector does not
authorize such payments &c.

With reference to the above,
has the honour to state that as the
Toddy Revenue was small in the
Sonab Taluk no separate Toddy
Inspector was appointed to this
Taluk, and the duties of the Toddy
Inspector devolved upon the shekdars
of Anwatty and Tavanandi Stables
vide para 12 (C) of the Government
Proceedings under adverstence.

2. These shekdars were therefore
allowed to draw a small horse
allowance of Rs. 8/- each per month
for two months i.e. for July and
August 1892, and a bill for
subsequent months was submitted
to the Excise Commissioner with a
view to obtaining Government
sanction for the same

3. The undersigned requests
therefore that the Excise Com-
-missioner will be good enough
to obtain the sanction of Government
for the payment of the arrears
due

due to the Shekdar alluded to in the Bill.

(signed). K. Ramchendra Rao
for Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

From,

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

To,

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

Dated 28th/29th January 1895.

No. 3266/56.

The Deputy Commissioner's No. 1460/184, dated 25th instant.

In reply has the honor to observe that para 12(c) of the Government Proceedings No. 1019-29 Cir: 4, dated 12th April 1892, does not mean that the Shekdars should get any additional allowance for Toddy work; but it simply means that in Talukas where the Toddy Revenue is light, the duties of Abkari Inspection should be performed by Shekdars in addition to their other duties, without any additional allowance.

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2. Requests explanation on the following point :—

If the allowance for July and August 1892 was disbursed to the Sheikdar of the Anvatty Hobli in the Sorab taluk, why was it not similarly disbursed every month from September 1892 to July 1893, and why it remained undrawn for more than a year.

(signed) L. Ricketts.

Excise Commissioner.

1898.

From,

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District.

To,

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

Dated 8th February

No. 1534/142.

His docket No. 3266/56, dated 28th ultimo, calling for an explanation as to why additional allowance to Sheikdars for Toddy work — contrary to para 12 (c) of the Government Proceedings No. 1019-29 cir. 4, dated 12th April 1892, was disbursed for two months

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with reference to the above, ha
the honor to state that during
that no provision was made
in the Government Proceedings
under reference for the pay-
-ment of additional allowance
to Shekdars for the Toddy work
devolved on them, the Bill was
submitted to the Excise Commissio
for obtaining Government sanctio
as a special case

2. Having regard to the fact
that the Shekdars were alread
worked, an allowance of Rs. 5/-
was conceded on their behalf
for the extra work and was
disbursed for two months
accordingly in anticipation
of Government sanction.

Signed / K. Ramchendra Ra
for Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

"Copy."
Mike
Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.
M. S.

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~~Circular No. 1892.~~ page

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

Connected to Ex Comm. Cir. No 2911/63 page 3

REVENUE.

PROCEEDINGS.

Dated 12th April 1892.

No. 1019-29.
Cir. 4.

Issuing instructions for carrying into effect the new scheme for the administration of the Toddy Revenue.

Mysore Govt. Central Press, Bangalore.—21-4-92.—250.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Revenue),—dated 12th April 1892.

READ AGAIN:—

Proceedings Camp No. 323—33, dated 24th September 1891.

Proceedings No. 14237-46—Cir. 211, dated 14th March 1892.

No. 1019-29—CIR. 4, DATED BANGALORE, 12TH APRIL 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—In the first of the orders cited above, are fully detailed the circumstances under which it was decided to make a new departure in the system of Toddy Administration by substituting for the former method of selling the exclusive right of drawing and vending toddy *by Districts*, a system of selling that right by *shops* and *groves*. Two Special Officers, Mr. J. G. McDonnell and Mr. B. Gopalaiengar, were deputed to conduct these sales all over the Province and to help the Deputy Commissioners in settling the details of the arrangements required for the introduction of the new scheme by the 1st April 1892, when the contracts under the old system were to expire. The work which demanded considerable tact from the officers entrusted with it has, the Government are glad to note, been completed in proper time and in a manner generally satisfactory.

2. The financial results have been eminently satisfactory, the expected revenue for the current official year under the new scheme being Rs. 14,02,887—4—7, inclusive of Local Cess, against Rs. 9,74,063—14—4 under the contract which has just expired, showing an increase of Rs. 4,28,823—6—3.

3. Such marked success could not have been obtained for the new scheme, in the very first year of its introduction but for the active interest taken by the Deputy Commissioners of Districts, and under their guidance by Amildars (with four exceptions to be hereafter noted) and Deputy Amildars, who, by their energy and industry, contributed in no small measure to the satisfactory completion of the new settlement. Under such circumstances, His Highness the Maharaja is pleased to direct that his appreciation of the good work which has been done be communicated to Deputy Commissioners and to the two Special Officers above named, and, through the Deputy Commissioners, to the Amildars and Deputy Amildars concerned, except the marginally named four Amildars who appear to have failed to exert themselves, and regarding whose conduct the Deputy Commissioners will be requested to report in due course with their explanation.

(1) Venkat Rao, Amildar of Chintamani.
(2) Narsinga Rao, Amildar of Channagiri.
(3) Ramaswamaiya, Amildar of Malvalli.
(4) Solomon Leighton, Amildar of Hiriyur.

4. The result of the settlement now made for each District is given in the following statement:—

Districts.	Present Revenue with Cess.			Government Shops.			Government Vanams.			Jaggory Ovens.			Total Government with Cess.			Inam Shops.			Inam Groves.			Total all Items with Cess.		
BANGALORE	1,49,811	8	4	2,18,985	10	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,18,885	10	0	3,508	6	0	3,181	2	0	2,25,575	2	0
KOLAR	83,597	8	0	1,25,049	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,25,049	5	6	5,628	1	0	2,699	4	6	1,33,376	11	0
TUMKUR	1,54,062	8	0	2,22,920	9	8	...	...	...	2,838	0	0	2,25,758	9	8	6,630	8	6	1,322	4	6	2,33,711	6	8
HASSAN	76,021	14	0	1,06,935	5	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,06,935	5	0	1,989	0	0	643	7	0	1,09,577	12	0
SHIMOGA	22,429	6	0	38,743	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	38,743	0	0	318	12	0	167	14	0	39,229	10	0
KADUR	35,881	11	0	48,632	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	48,632	8	0	...	...	...	76	8	0	48,709	0	0
CHITALDROOG	1,48,856	4	0	1,60,815	3	8	...	..	...	5,087	4	0	1,85,902	7	8	1,429	1	0	...	..	...	1,87,331	8	8
MYSORE	3,03,402	3	0	3,78,182	10	0	17,121	9	0	...	...	...	3,95,304	3	0	18,819	9	0	11,252	6	3	4,25,376	2	3
TOTAL.....	9,74,063	14	4	13,20,164	3	10	17,121	9	0	7,925	4	0	13,45,211	0	10	38,323	5	6	19,352	14	3	14,02,887	4	7

The total revenue of Rs. 14,02,887—4—7, shown in the foregoing statement, is inclusive of the Toddy Revenue of Inam villages, which amount to Rs. 38,323—5—6, for shops, and Rs. 19,352—14—3, for groves. Total Rs. 57,676—3—9. The net revenue to Government is thus Rs. 13,45,211-0-10.

5. The detailed settlement made under the new scheme led necessarily to the investigation of the value of the Toddy Revenue of Inam villages. The results which have been obtained will enable the Government to dispose, in the most satisfactory manner possible, of the claims of Inamdars entitled to the Toddy Revenue under their sannads, and in the meantime there will be adopted the system of indicating in the accounts the Toddy Revenue of Inamdars separate and distinct from the Government revenue. The maximum amount which the Inamdars can possibly claim now is Rs. 57,676—3—9, as shown above, but it is liable to be reduced upon an investigation of Inamdars' claims, some of which may have to be rejected as not supported by sannads or recognized long enjoyment. The Deputy Commissioners should now very carefully inquire into these claims and submit a full report in each case for the orders of Government

6. The new scheme will further improve the condition of the class of Idigars whose vocation is drawing toddy from date trees, and who by hereditary usage are interested in the conservancy of date groves. but who had been much neglected by the contractors under the old system.

7. The ready realization of the increased revenue according to the new settlement and indeed its smooth and satisfactory working depend upon the interest which Local Revenue officers continue to take in the matter. The Government accordingly resolve to leave to Deputy Commissioners the practical working of the settlement now completed. The Deputy Commissioners should impress upon their Amildars to regard the administration of the Toddy Revenue as an important part of their duty.

8. It must be a first axiom in the working of the new settlement that no farmer shall, without the previous express consent of the Deputy Commissioner, in any way, disturb the arrangement made as regards the grouping of shops and assignment of vanams. It is understood that in a good many cases, where a grove or vanam used to supply toddy to several shops, the new settlement allows the farmer of each shop to resort to the *mamûl* portion of the grove from which his shop used to draw its supply during the past contract. In such cases, if any disputes arise, they should be promptly dealt with to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

9. In order to prevent the possibility of such disputes occurring hereafter and generally to facilitate the future Toddy administration, it is necessary that every grove required for the purpose of the Toddy Revenue should be carefully surveyed, and divided into a number of blocks sufficient for the convenient administration of the Toddy Revenue. Such blocks should be distinctly demarcated and the demarcation accurately shown upon village maps. The number of bearing trees in each block should be ascertained and recorded in such maps. A separate set of these maps should be maintained in each Taluk. The Survey Superintendent will be requested to depute for the early execution of this work under the Deputy Commissioners' orders, the number of Measurers required for this work in each District. Mr. McDonnell will, from information already in his possession, submit at once for the information of the Survey Superintendent, a list as complete as possible of the number of groves which have to be surveyed in each District. It is estimated that over 40 Measurers will be required for all the Districts, but this is a point which must be left for decision in the Survey Department. Should it be not possible to depute the full required number of Measurers at once for this duty, the Survey Superintendent, need, at present, only send out such smaller number as may be feasible, arranging, however, the

programme of work in a way likely to ensure its completion at as early a dat as possible. A report of the Survey Superintendent's proposals will be awaite

10. For the success of the Toddy administration, the special attention of the Deputy Commissioner is necessary to the following points, namely:—

(*a*) The due conservancy of existing vanams, including the prevention of the tapping of immature trees, the improper tapping by unskilled men, the injurious removal of leaves by rope and mat makers, &c.

(*b*) The prevention of theft of toddy from the trees, and the illicit drawing or sale of toddy, and

(*c*) The planting of new areas where necessary.

11. Toddy collections should be daily received as paid in any Taluk or District Treasury, and separate demand, collection and balance accounts should be kept as regards each farmer.

12. For the performance of all duties indicated in para 10, the services of the ordinary Land Revenue establishment should be utilized to the fullest extent possible, and the Government accordingly resolve to issue the following instructions on the subject:—

(*a*) In villages where vanams exist and have to be conserved, and theft or illicit drawing of toddy has to be prevented, the village servant (Toti, Talari or Kulvadi) must be employed for the purpose, under the orders of the Patel, and he should be paid for such work a remuneration of, say, Rs. 10 or 12 a year.

(*b*) The Toddy Revenue shall be collected by the Patel assisted by the Shanbhog. The Patel shall in addition be responsible himself to see that every shop and every vanam within his village is properly managed, that no theft or illicit drawing of toddy takes place, that the transport of toddy is made under proper authority and that no breach of the Excise Law is committed. The Shanbhog shall, in addition to helping the Patel in the duties above described, keep such registers as may be prescribed regarding the quantities of toddy drawn, consumed or transported. For the additional work as above, the Patel and Shanbhog will be remunerated by means of a small percentage on the annual collections in addition to their present remuneration from the Land Revenue.

(*c*) Above the Patel and Shanbhog there should be an officer called Abkari Inspector, corresponding in position to the Shekdar. In Taluks where the Toddy Revenue is light (as in the Malnad) the duties of Abkari Inspector shall devolve upon the Shekdars. But in other Taluks, a separate Abkari Inspector shall be appointed, two such officers being given to exceptionally heavy Taluks. For these appointments the best men possible should be selected as a rule from Abkari Amins who have had experience of the work under the former contract system, and who possess a good character. Where such men may not be available, the most qualified Shekdars should be selected for these posts. As much of the success of the Toddy administration in a Taluk will depend upon the ability and integrity of this class of officials, the Deputy Commissioner should give his personal attention to their selection. The salary given to the Abkari Inspector may for the present be Rs. 20 per mensem and the horse allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem. He should be directly subordinate to the Amildar or the Deputy Amildar.

(*d*) The whole responsibility of the Toddy administration within the Taluk or Sub-Taluk should rest upon the Amildar or the Deputy Amildar as the case may be.

13. It is believed that with the work distributed as described in the preceding para, the Deputy Commissioner will be able to deal with this branch of his duties in the most prompt and satisfactory manner possible. He is requested to issue at once for the guidance of Amildars and the village officers and village servants concerned the necessary detailed instructions to bring into immediate operation the scheme of distribution of duties as described in the preceding para, appointing (in anticipation of the sanction of Government to the detailed proposals for his District) such Abkari Inspectors as in his opinion are absolutely required for the various Taluks in his District. Having thus arranged for the practical working of the scheme in his District, he should lose no time in submitting for the sanction of Government, definite proposals which should specifically state—

1*st*, the number of village servants in each Taluk who should be specially employed on Toddy duty and the remuneration to be paid to them;

2*ndly*, the number of villages, the Patels of which will have Toddy work and the remuneration he would recommend for them

3*rdly* the number of Shanbhogs who can with advantage be employed on Toddy work and the remuneration he would recommend for them; and

4*thly* the number of Abkari Inspectors required for his District and the salaries and horse allowances he would propose for them.

The Deputy Commissioner should, at the same time, submit for the consideration of the Government any further suggestions he may wish to put forward for the better working of the new toddy system.

14. As regards help to the Deputy Commissioner, the Government think that it will be most convenient if, as in the North-Western Provinces (see appended Extract of paragraph 7 of the revised rules) the Excise Department of the District (including Toddy, Arrack and all other items of Excise Revenue) be primarily in the charge of one of his ordinary Assistant Commissioners. The work will be so slight as to permit of one of the present staff of Assistant Commissioners undertaking it in addition to his present duties. The Assistant Commissioner selected for it may, for a short time, say 6 months or so, be associated with the Excise Assistant Commissioner so as to enable him the more readily to become acquainted with the details of the work. Under the immediate orders of the Assistant Commissioner in special charge of Excise work of the District, there may be a Daroga whose salary will be according to the extent of the Excise work of the District. A Gumasta may be given to each District Treasury to compile the collections for the entire District and submit the same for the Assistant Commissioner's orders

15. The Deputy Commissioners are invited to submit at an early date their opinions on the suggestions contained in the last preceding para, and, pending final orders thereupon and in order to meet the immediate requirements of the Toddy work, the two Special Officers employed upon the Toddy settlement will be directed to place themselves under the Deputy Commissioner's orders, and where necessary a Daroga and Gumasta on the marginally noted scale will be allowed for each District. The Special Officers (whose employment under these orders will be only for the short period of a few months, till the ordinary District establishment is able effici-

Daroga on pay from Rs. 30 to 40, according to qualifications, with a horse allowance of Rs. 15 per mensem.

Gumasta on pay Rs. 15 per mensem.

ently to deal with the current Toddy work) may, with advantage, be employed under the Deputy Commissioner's orders and supervision:—

1*st.* To scrutinize and compile the mutchilikas obtained in each District, and examine and regularise the securities in respect of them.

2*nd.* To dispose of disputes, if any, which may arise regarding the particular portion of a vanam which should supply a particular shop (*vide* para 8 above).

3*rdly.* To determine the number of separate blocks into which a vanam should be divided for purposes of demarcation (*vide* para 9 above).

4*thly.* To submit to the Deputy Commissioner drafts of detailed instructions for the guidance of Amildars and subordinate officials regarding the distribution of duties connected with the Toddy administration (*vide* para 13 above).

5*thly.* To prepare a complete and separate record of the settlement made for each Taluk, in such form as will be of use to the Revenue authorities in the practical carrying out of the settlement. Of all such records, there should be one copy in the Taluk Cutcherry and another in the District Office, and

6*thly.* To do all work appertaining to the Toddy administration under the general guidance of the Deputy Commissioner.

16. The work described in the preceding para may, if necessary, be divided between the two Special Officers according to Districts, or according to the kind of work, as may be found most convenient.

17. In entertaining the establishment, sanctioned above, of Darogas, Abkari Inspectors and Gumastas, Deputy Commissioners will give such consideration as they may deem fit to the claims for re-employment of such members of the temporary establishment sanctioned up to the 31st March 1892, as may deserve to be taken on the permanent establishment.

18. The accounts connected with the temporary establishment up to the 31st March 1892 should be closed and submitted for information.

EXTRACT—PARA 7 OF THE NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES RULES.

"The Excise Department in each District shall be primarily under the charge of an Assistant Collector or Assistant Commissioner, hereinafter called the officer in charge of the Excise Revenue, to whom all offences against the Excise Laws shall be reported, and whose duty it shall be to remain in Camp during the cold season, informing himself and keeping the Collector informed of every detail connected with Excise Administration. Detailed instructions should at the commencement of each cold season, be drawn up for that officer's guidance, noting the points requiring particular notice with reference to improvement of the Excise Administration in the District, and keeping in view the fact that, while Government in no way desires to stimulate the consumption of spirits, stringent measures must be taken to prevent illicit manufacture, and to ensure that no spirits shall leave a Distillery without payment of duty, so that Government may receive the full amount of duty on all spirits consumed."

T. ANANDA ROW,
Chief Secretary.

To—The Excise Commissioner.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Survey Superintendent.
Mr. J. G. McDonnell, Excise Assistant Commissioner.
Mr. B. Gopalaiengar, Special Revenue Officer, Toddy Department.
The Comptroller.

Exd.—B.G.R.

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Read

Letter No 3416/321 Dy 12th Feby/93 from the Inc Comr in Imporo submitting for sanction a bill for Rs 301/- being the allowance due to Shanbhag Soobarow of the Sorab Taluk for having performed the Toddy Inspector's duties during the period from Sept 92 to Feby/93.

Order thereon

There was no Inspector appointed at the outset. One was recommended and sanctioned in Govt proc No 13672-81/RF 17-92 Dy 16th Feby/93. As the Sorab Taluk contains 19 Groves, 22018 Date trees, 6 Farms, and 16 Shops, there is no doubt the Shanbhag had

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a good deal of additional travelling to do and the allowance of the Inspector eventually sanctioned may, therefore, as a Special Case, be paid to the Shirkdar during the time this duty devolved on him.

2. The bill for Rs 30/- is ~~therefore~~ sanctioned & forwarded to the Comptroller for audit.

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21/3/95

Offg Chief Secy

The Ex case Court in Mysore

The Comptroller with bill

S. N.

18/3/95